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**Q**uestions are asked about the possibility of a "new deal" between the two sides.

## Application Elements

1. ☒ Filing Fee

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☒ A check in the amount of \$850.00 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Conley, Rose, & Tayon, P.C., Deposit Account No. 03-2769/5180-01106/MLB.

One duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

2. ☒ Specification  
33 page(s) of specification (and a cover page); 7 page(s) of claims (claims 1-25); 1 page(s) of abstract
3. ☒ Drawings  
Figure(s) 1- 24 on 19 sheet(s)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration  
☐ Newly executed  
☒ Copy from a prior application (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)) -  
Deletion of Inventor(s) (in continuation or divisional applications):  
☐ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a signed sheet attached hereto.
5. ☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application referred to above is considered to be part of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)  
☐ Computer Readable copy  
☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)  
☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies
8. ☒ Assignment Papers - *copied from prior application*
9. ☒ Power of Attorney - *copied from prior application*  
☐ Is attached.  
☒ The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.  
☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
10. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
☒ PTO 1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. ☒ Amendments  
☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.  
☐ Cancel in this application claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.  
☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a Continuation of Serial No. 08/673,581 filed on July 1, 1996.
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
13. Small Entity Status  
☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.  
☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior non-provisional application and such status is still proper and desired.  
☐ Is no longer claimed.
14. ☐ Priority of foreign application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)-(d)
15. ☐ Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 136 for Extension of Time
16. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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